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Mr. Johnny Reising U.S. Department of Energy, Fernald Area Office P.O. Box 538705 Cincinnati, OH 45253-8705

Re: Comments: Revised Literature Review Implications of Reforestation: Controlling Deer Browsing And Competing Vegetation

Dear Mr. Reising:

Ohio EPA has reviewed DOE's December 1, 1999 submittal "Revised Literature Review Implications of Reforestation: Controlling Deer Browsing And Competing Vegetation." The report appears to have a number of the same failings Ohio EPA pointed out in our March 1999 comments on its previous version. The report provides little if any useful information other than referencing the effectiveness of exclusion fencing.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (937) 285-6466.

Sincerely,

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